

House Resolution 185

By: Representatives Glanton of the 76th, Baker of the 78th, Johnson of the 75th, and Abdul-Salaam of the 74th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the 2008 Jonesboro High School Mock Trial team and
2 inviting them to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Jonesboro High School Mock Trial team began the season in August of
4 2007, working diligently towards their goal of winning a second consecutive national title;
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6 WHEREAS, the perfect combination of fresh techniques from new team members and
7 experience from the veterans formed a fantastic and unstoppable mock trial team that
8 competed in cases involving legal issues on fluctuating stock prices, company buyouts, and
9 terrorism; and

10 WHEREAS, in February 2008, the team defeated Riverdale, North Clayton, and Morrow
11 High Schools to clinch the Clayton County regional competition; and

12 WHEREAS, a month later, the team out-performed their competitors once again in the state
13 championship, defeating many teams from across the state including Central Macon in the
14 semifinals and Grady High School in the championship round; and

15 WHEREAS, after competing at the state level, the 2008 Jonesboro High School Mock Trial
16 team went on to outshine their competitors at the national championship competition,
17 defeating Kalamazoo High School in the final round for the second time in two years; and

18 WHEREAS, the Jonesboro High School Mock Trial teams have earned their reputations as
19 powerhouses in competitions, winning their regional competition 20 out of 22 years, the state
20 competition six times in the past 20 years, and the national competition twice; and

21 WHEREAS, the 2008 team was composed of the stellar competitors Laura Parkhouse,
22 Dominique Delgado, Joe Strickland, Brian Bady, Ralph Wilson, Jurod James, Lindsey

23 Hargis, Bridget Harris, Braeden Orr, Adrienne Marshall, Tabais Kelly, Jayda Hazell,
24 Miguelande Charlestin, Avion Jackson, and Kayla Daniels; and

25 WHEREAS, the members of this young team have developed and refined the mental agility,
26 verbal adroitness, and intellectual acumen under the guidance of their dedicated coaches:
27 Honorable John C. Carbo, Honorable Deborah Benefield, Tasha Mosley, Katie Powers,
28 Andrew Cox, and Anna Cox; and

29 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding record of scholarly
30 achievement and peerless performance of the members of the team be recognized
31 appropriately.

32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
33 the members of this body congratulate the 2008 Jonesboro High School mock trial team on
34 their national championship title.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above-named students and coaches are invited to
36 appear before the House of Representatives for purposes of being recognized by the House
37 and receiving appropriate copies of this resolution at a date and time to be fixed by the
38 Speaker of the House.